

Tulare County Association of Governments

March 18, 2005

Steve Curti, FTIP Coordinator
Caltrans, District 6
Advance Planning and Programming
1352 W. Olive
PO Box 12616
Fresno, CA 93778-2616

Dear Mr. Curti:

Tulare County Association of Governments approves the following Amendment to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program. The following Amendment will be known as **Amendment No. 6** to the 2004 FTIP amending the **CMAQ program**.

“The project(s) included in the FTIP by this amendment has/have been demonstrated to satisfy the requirements of 40 CFR 93.118 and 93.119 without a new regional emissions analysis in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR 93.122(e)(2)(ii). Accordingly, the Project(s) has/have been included in the regional emissions analysis of the Regional Transportation plan’s regional emissions at the time of the transportation plan’s conformity determination, and that the design concept, scope, and implementation schedule of the project(s) is/are not significantly different from that described in the transportation plan. In addition, the funding or the project(s) will not delay the implementation of projects in the metropolitan transportation plan or FTIP.”

Amendment No 6 (Formal)

The City of Porterville requested TCAG Board to reduce their CMAQ funding for (Tul04-013) Hybrid Vehicles by one (was two) and transfer the CMAQ funding (\$26,000) to complete funding for a traffic signal at Putnam Avenue and Villa Street (Traffic Signal No. 7 (CML-5122) due to construction escalation cost. TCAG Board approved an Amendment No. 6 at the February 28, 2005, Board meeting.

Amendment No. 6 Tulare County 2004 FTIP

FHWA-CMAQ

Cost Reduction CMAQ TUL04-013: -City of Porterville: Replace 2 gas powered staff vehicles with 2 SULEV Hybrid vehicles (Change to Replace 1 gas powered staff vehicle with 1 SULEV Hybrid vehicle): The CMAQ programmed project total is \$60,000 (**reduce to \$30,000**) and is distributed as follows:


1. FY 04/05 Con \$30,000 (loc \$4,000, Fed \$26,000)

Carryover from 2002 FTIP to 2004 FTIP and Increase funding to cover escalation cost-CMAQ TUL00-006: -City of Porterville: Traffic Signal Installation at the Intersection of Putnam Ave. and Villa St.: The programmed **CMAQ** project total is \$180,000 and is distributed as follows:

1. FY 02/03 PE \$18,000 (loc \$2,000, Fed \$16,000)
2. FY 02/03 Con \$132,000 (loc \$15,000, Fed \$117,000)
3. FY 04/05 Con \$30,000 (loc \$4,000, Fed \$26,000)

Thank you for your assistance with the FTIP amendment process. If you have any questions regarding these changes and additions, please contact Ted Smalley or Eddie Wendt at (559) 733-6653, extension 4888.

Sincerely,



Ted Smalley
TCAG Staff

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cc: Muhaned Aljabiry, Caltrans
Mayela Sosa, FHWA
Paul Page, FTA
Doug Thompson, CAPCD
Marvin Johnson, Caltrans

**BEFORE THE TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF AN)
AMENDMENT TO THE 2004 FEDERAL) RESOLUTION NO. 1524
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT)
PROGRAM.)

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) was designated a
Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) by the Governor of California on March 17, 1982;
and

WHEREAS, TCAG approved the 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement Program
(FTIP) on August 9, 2004 (Resolution No. 1481); and

WHEREAS, said FTIP contains a listing of federally funded projects; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment updates the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality
program (CMAQ); and

WHEREAS, this amendment satisfies the following conditions, which allow this action
to proceed as a formal amendment:

1. The change only affects projects which are presently air quality conformed in the
TCAG 2004 Regional Transportation Plan and the 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement
Program;

2. The change will not affect the 2004 FTIP Financial plan, as it will be entirely funded
by revenues made specifically available for these purposes;

3. The changes will not interfere with the timely implementation of transportation control
measures;

4. The projects are consistent with the adopted and federally approved Regional
Transportation Plan;

5. The changes are consistent with TCAG Board's Federal Transportation Improvement
Program Local Adjustment and Administrative Amendment Procedures approved on November
23, 1998;

1 WHEREAS, the Tulare County Association of Governments has coordinated with
2 Caltrans and FHWA the said financial changes in the CMAQ program; and

3 WHEREAS, this amendment shall henceforth be known as Amendment Number Six (6)
4 to the 2004 Tulare County Federal Transportation Improvement Program.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the 2004 Federal
6 Transportation Improvement Program is hereby amended as shown in Attachment 1.

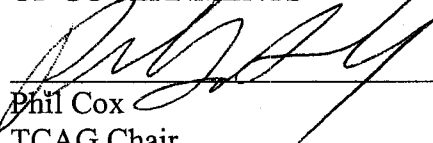
7 The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member Macaulay, seconded by
8 Member McKittrick, at a regular meeting held on the 28th day of February 2005, by the following
9 vote:


10 AYES: Torres, Conway, Cox, Worthley, Maples, McKittrick, Macaulay, Santana,
11 Kimball, Hamilton, Ortega, Link, Ritchie, McKinley, Zimmerman, Dunbar,
12 McCuen

13 NOES: None

14 ABSENT: None

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16 TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION
17 OF GOVERNMENTS

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20 Phil Cox
21 TCAG Chair

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24 George Finney
25 Executive Secretary, TCAG
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Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (Non-transit)

Route Postmile PIN Dist-EA Fund AQ Lead	Description	Phase	Status	Total Escalated Cost	Description	Phase	Prior Years	Program Schedule (Construction costs escalated per Caltrans percentage)					Change Description Project Comments Funding Summary (Current & Prior Years)	
								Triennial Element						
								04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09		09/10
TUL00-006 CITY/CMAQ 0.00 Porterville, City of	CMAQ-City of Porterville: Traffic Signal Installation at the Intersection of Putnam Ave. and Villa St. \$ 180,000 FTIP Amend 6.00	PE RW Const Total					18,000 132,000 150,000	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	Cost/Scope/Sch. Change
								30,000						***** Version 5 - 02/11/2005 *****Requested by the City of Porterville letter dated February 3, 2005 by Baldo Rodriguez to carryover to the 2004 FTIP and to add funding in
								30,000						Prior 17,000 133,000
														Current 4,000 26,000
TUL04-013 CITY/CMAQ 4.01 Porterville, City of	Replace 1 gas powered staff vehicles with 1 SULEV Hybrid vehicles \$ 30,000 FTIP Amend 6.00	PE RW Const Total						04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	Cost/Scope/Sch. Change
								30,000						***** Version 2 - 02/11/2005 *****Requested by the City of Porterville letter dated February 3, 2005 by Baldo Rodriguez to reduce 1 hybrid vehicle and to transfer the funds
								30,000						Prior
														Current 4,000 26,000



Tulare County Association of Governments

January 24, 2005

Mr. Baldo S. Rodriguez
Public Works Director
City of Porterville
291 N. Main Street
Porterville, CA 93257

Dear Baldo:

We received your letter dated January 11, 2005, requesting additional CMAQ funding for the Villa Street/Putnam Avenue signal project. In summary, all CMAQ funding is fully programmed. There are a few options available for the City of Porterville.

1. Reduce your funding of two Hybrids vehicles to one. This would provide an additional \$26,000 CMAQ funding (\$4,000 match). The City of Porterville could then apply for another Hybrid for year 2007/08 during the 2006 FTIP process.
2. Wait for delays or funding reductions to other CMAQ projects programmed in 04/05. This option seems unlikely given recent agency discussions.

It should be noted that due to the year this project was initiated, if the project does not proceed, **the \$117,000 would be lost to our County.** TCAG would not have the option to re-program to another project.

Both Scott Cochran and myself are available to assist the City of Porterville as necessary. If you have any questions, need assistance, or wish to proceed with an FTIP amendment, please call Scott Cochran at 733-6653, extension 4893 or myself at extension 4888.

Sincerely,

Ted Smalley
TCAG Staff

TS:ke

From: Ted Smalley
To: Eddie Wendt
Date: 2/3/2005 8:01:47 AM
Subject: Fwd: Re: Amendment

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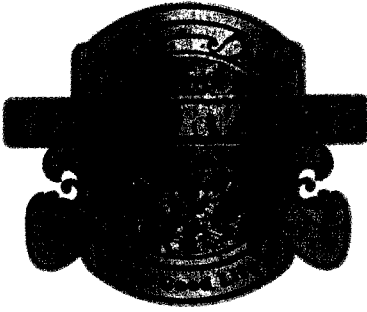
>>> "Baldo Rodriguez" <brodriguez@ci.porterville.ca.us> 01/28/2005 8:51:43 AM >>>
Ted:

Thanks for your prompt action on this matter. I will get the letter to you ASAP.

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Ted Smalley wrote:

- > We will start working on your amendment this week.
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- > We will need a letter from you requesting the amendment by February 11,
- > 2004 for the agenda.
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- > let me know if I need to attend your board meeting.
- >
- > Ted Smalley
- > TCAG Staff
- > (559) 733-6653 (ext. 4888)



Public Works Department

February 3, 2005

Ted Smalley
5961 S. Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93277

Dear Ted:

On February 1, 2005, the Porterville City Council heard arguments in favor and against eliminating one hybrid vehicle in FY 2004/2005 and using the savings to "complete" funding for a traffic signal at Putnam Avenue & Villa Street. Because this intersection is located along an "Emergency" corridor as well as on a principal collector, the City Council voted to eliminate the hybrid vehicle and use the savings (approximately \$30,000) to augment funding for Traffic Signal No. 7 (CML-5122 (033)).

Please accept this letter as the City of Porterville's formal request asking that an item be placed on the February 28, 2005 TCAG Board meeting. Specifically, the City respectfully requests that the TCAG Board approve the elimination of one hybrid vehicle allotted for City of Porterville purchase in FY 2004/2005 and further, that the Board approve the transfer of the approximately \$30,000 CMAQ savings to the City's Traffic Signal Project No. 7, CML-5122 (033).

In closing, the City appreciates your help and understanding in this matter and is ready to provide any additional information that might be needed to successfully complete this transfer.

Sincerely,

Baldomero S. Rodriguez
Public Works Director

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cc: John Longley
Darrel Pyle
Mike Reed
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Council gives the green to stoplight project

By Roger Phelps, The Porterville Recorder

Porterville is caught with its grants down.

The city will pay more than it wants to for a stoplight project at Putnam Avenue and Villa Street, and will have to give up buying one of two hybrid vehicles it wants to acquire.

It's either do those things or lose a federal grant that will fund the bulk of the stoplight project.

City Council members split the vote Tuesday and authorized awarding a construction contract to a low bidder who came in 16.5 percent above an engineer's estimate.

Dealing with the Tulare County Association of Governments, grant administrator, the council agreed to apply \$30,000 in grant money it had for one hybrid vehicle purchase to the stoplight project instead. The vote was 4-1, Councilman Richard Stadtherr dissenting. Not doing so, rejecting all project bids and failing to award the contract, would - because of fine print in the grant guidelines - have caused both the city and Tulare County to lose some grant money.

"We have two situations - we don't want to lose the funding, and we have an intersection that absolutely needs taking care of," said Councilman Cameron Hamilton.

Said Mayor Pedro Martinez regretfully, "We give up the hybrid."

Porterville's share of the grant-assisted project now will be \$36,350 instead of the \$14,900 originally thought.

The city tried to get TCAG to authorize extra money for the stoplight, but failed. All of the five bid documents received cited rising costs of steel and concrete as reason for not coming in near the engineer's estimate of \$130,000.

Low bidder and contract awardee is Visalia's AC Electric, which quoted a price of \$151,450. Bids ranged from that figure to a high of \$189,000 by Fresno's BME company.

With TCAG board approval, on Feb. 28 the \$30,000 originally set for a hybrid-vehicle purchase could be transferred to the Putnam Avenue-Villa Street stoplight project.

Decisions, Decisions

The Porterville City Council took the following action at Tuesday's meeting:

Approved budget adjustments including increasing the revenue estimates and appropriations for purchase of tax-defaulted property by \$17,000 in the Storm Drain Development Fund, \$12,400 in the Water Replacement Fund; and \$1,500 in the Transportation Fund Impact Fund; increasing revenue estimate and appropriation by \$6,533 in the Library Budget for shelving; and by \$355,000 in the General Fund to account for grant and donations to begin initial phases of the Skateboard Park project.

Approved shelving for the Library in the amount of \$8,979.94 from Office Depot and seeking

reimbursement from Porterville Unified School District for its share.

Approved the Negative Declaration for the annexation of approximately 734 acres of real property and awarding contract for Sludge Bed Expansion Project in the amount of \$829,000 to Kaweah Construction Company.

Accepted Tule River Parkway Phase 2 Project as complete.

Adopted the 2005 Citizen Participation Plan and appointed Pat Contreras, Hector Villicana, Linda Olmedo, Grace Munoz-Rios, Rudy Roman, John Dennis and Robert Fuentes to the Citizens' Advisory and Housing Opportunity Committee for a one-year term.

Enforced an ordinance governing fence and hedge height for a violation at 791 N. Villa St., and directed staff to open new violation cases with regard to the premises at northeast corner of Indiana Street and Kanai Avenue, southeast corner of Newcomb Street and Putnam Avenue and southeast corner of Westwood Street and Garden Avenue.

Approved encroachment agreement for installation of an awning at 114 N. Main St.

Authorized the extra-territorial provision of water service to the proposed Porterville Unified School District Middle School to be located at the northwest corner of Prospect Street and Castle Avenue.

Approved a standardized Use Agreement for the Off Highway Vehicle Park.

Renewed Benchcraft Company Agreement for the Municipal Golf Course, involving display of advertising on benches and tee signs at golf course, with new cedar benches, tee signs, and course layout board provided free of charge.

Approved Heritage Library shared-use Memorandum of Understanding with Porterville Unified School District.

Announced the resignations of Bob Owen and Dave Huchingson from the Parks and Leisure Services Commission and set Feb. 15 as the time for City Council appointment to fill the two vacancies.

Approved Parks & Leisure Services Annual Sweetheart's Run for Feb. 12 - the annual Half Marathon and 5K run, with staging held at Los Robles School, and the course generally located on Plano Street, north of Mulberry, west to Lime Street, and north to Frasier Valley Highway.

Contact Roger Phelps at 784-5000, Ext. 1047, or rphelps@portervillerecorder.com

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